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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1.	This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of two months to respond to
	the Notice of Appeal filed October 2, 2003.

2. Applicant is \Box a small entity; \boxtimes other than a small entity. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)): 3.

> **Total Months** Fee for Other Than Requested **Small Entity** Two months \$420.00

|X|A check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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